

Public Management Master's Degree

The majority of our courses are taught in French. We invite you to also have a look at the [list of courses offered in English at Rennes 2](#).

This degree has two pathways:

- **Territorial Public Management (MPT)** (*initial training*)
- **Management of Local Government Services (DSCT)** (*continuing education*)

Objectives

This training is designed for people who want to access jobs in the professional sector of local and regional authorities and need to acquire the relevant theoretical knowledge required for this work. Graduates will be proficient in key local authority management tools (budget, subsidies, public procurement, domain, town planning, etc.) and have enhanced knowledge of the role of local authorities in the national and European institutional systems. The degree trains future senior managers of regional and local government as well as researchers in government departments, local and regional authorities, EPCIs (public establishments for inter-communal cooperation) and private organizations in the field of local government action: design consultants, research departments, consulting firms, SEMs (mixed-economy companies).

Skills

The skills are above all multidisciplinary and include:

- Familiarity with the managerial approach of local and regional authorities: management of personnel (civil service, public management legislation and practice, etc.), community assets and public services, assessment and control procedures, participation, communication actions, etc.;
- Financial actions: public procurement practices, budgets, financial management, state and European subsidies;
- Local authority planning and local development;
- Ability to oversee the institutional environment of local and regional authorities by combining legal, sociological, managerial and economic approaches: in-depth knowledge of decentralization; analysis of the issues and consequences of European integration for local and regional authorities;
- Ability to oversee the political environment of the local authority: local elected officials (sociography, role), local democracy, participation;
- Preparation for competitive examinations (essay, briefing notes, oral exams);
- Writing a dissertation that tries to solve an institutional (place of internship) problem with generalist knowledge.

Course Content

Master 1: this is entirely shared between the two pathways of the Public Management specialization.

Master 2: each pathway is specifically designed: DSCT pathway for continuing education and the MPT pathway for initial training.

The MPT pathway follows the classic format of weekly classes (excluding internship periods), and the DSCT pathway alternates weeks of grouped teaching and weeks of professional activity.